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NOTICE OF APPEAL

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the final rejection of claims 2-8 set forth in the September 10, 2007 Office Action in connection with the above-identified application.

A Petition for a three-month extension of time was filed on February 27, 2008. With the granting of that Petition a response is now due on March 10, 2008. Therefore this Notice of Appeal is being timely filed. A fee under 37 CFR 1.17(b) is due in connection with the filing of this Notice. Accordingly, a Fee Transmittal is enclosed.

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